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CORE

The work of the CORE team continues on a monthly basis. This work team consists of a collaborative effort between representatives of the Rehabilitation Services Bureau and fiscal and financial representatives to provide contract oversight and review. IVRS has seen a significant increase in third party contracts as well as contracts related to field service delivery and our ability to monitor and comply with state and federal regulations is dependent upon careful fiscal and program oversight. The CORE members are tasked with helping ensure that occurs.

CORE members are working through a number of key tasks related to monitoring efforts. These include:

1. State auditors complete an annual review of IVRS fiscal and program service operations. RSA will be pulling thirty case records and reviewing for internal controls demonstrating compliance to:

Date of Application

Date of Eligibility Determination

Date of IPE

Start Date of Employment in primary occupation

Employment Status at Closure

Weekly Earnings at Employment

Type of Closure

Date of Closure

We need to ensure our case recording system matches our reporting system and the data between the two sources supports each other.

2. Transition Plan highlighting our work with pre-employment transitions monies with specific focus on Required, Authorized and Coordinated activities.

RSB is updated our current Transition Plan and then this will be reviewed by CORE for additional strategies for implementation.

3. RSA 2018 Federal Technical Assistance Monitoring Guide was published and will be reviewed in sections by CORE. We had already began this activity based upon 2016 TA information so we will do again with the current guide being used as a tool.

Based upon the 2017 financial status report, published 12/6/17, IVRS matches from our contracts \$1,159,215.47 which allows us to maximize our federal monies available to Iowa in the amount of \$3,302,933.72.

Our projected contract costs for 2017, which include Youth Leadership (which was not renewed), Department of Aging, Transition Alliance Program, Making the Grade, Intermediary Network, Iowa

School for the Deaf, Project Search, Independent Living Contracts, State-Wide Independent Living Council, Iowa Jobs for America Graduates-Boone High School, are over \$2.6 million dollars. Efforts for 2018 will expand these contracts with the inclusion of the TEAM contract with the Des Moines Public Schools. These contracts are not including the fifty plus contracts we have with Community Rehabilitation providers in the Menu of Service related to Supported Employment Services.